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WASHINGTON, DECEMBER 6, 1879. EX-GOVERNOR SEYMOUR is not a candidate for President, and will not be under any contingency, and yet the silly boom will go right on-same as before.

The importance of having a level head and honest heart to fill the chairmanship of the National Committee cannot be too highly appreciated, little as some may think of its consequence.

DEMOCRATS found that they had been in session for four days without doing anything or making a serious blunder, and they adjourned over the remaining two days for fear that something of the sort might hap-

THE finance issue may attract attention for a while : but before the next National election the question will be revived whether the North or the South shall be vindicated for the parts they took respectively in the

THE President is justly indignant be-Should be not be equally indignant because the Constitution and laws relating to the rights of citizenship are constantly violated in the Southern States?

JOHN F. MINES, the great American romancer, who should have formed a copartnership long ago with JIMMY ANDERSON, has lectured in Tammany Hall as an apologist for the Confederate policy of starving Union prisoners, and he was neither hung, shot nor beheaded. The Northern people

It is said that Scuator BLAINE has sent the Baptist Society in Augusta, Me., a gift nent in leading the people in the exercise of \$50, and last Sunday at church the committee's report was read, wherein Mr. Republican ex-sheriffs were hung and a most judicious emanations of the kind that BLAINE was mentioned as a distinguished citizen "who, if he has not the good fortune "to be President, has the heart of a Christian " and the generous band of a prince."

THE Democratic organ has flopped again. Now it counsels silence and quiet on the part of the majority in Congress. It might as well issue its bull against the effervescing powers of a fresh-made cask of beer. These brigadiers must have vent or burst. They may not begin to stew and fizzle until after the holidays, but then they will make up for lost time, and every seam in their easks will gush with froth.

DEMOCRATIC success next year will mean fraud and assassination, while their loyalty is fully exemplified by their repeated and persistent endeavors to assert the supremacy of the States over the National Government.

THAT firebrand thrown into the Repub-Hean camp by the Administration-ville, Democratic organs of the day-proves to be a green bass-wood paddle, filled with sap. Instead of promoting combustion in the Republican ranks, it seems to have been utilized by Mr. BAYARD to spank Mr. THURMAN, and by Mr. THURMAN to spank Mr. EWING, and so on all around, until the soreheads of the Democracy find an equilibrium of soreness in both extremes. No wonder they can't sit down with comfort to consult with each other and agree upon some fixed and definite partisan policy.

GENERAL WICKHAM, like his most prominent contestant for the United States Sen- stantially the attitude assumed by the atorship from Virginia, earned his military title by active service in the Confederate army. He was a Brigadier-General in the envalry service, while MAHONE was a Major-General with an infantry command. Senator WITHERS, whose re-election will be prevented by the success of either WICK-Confederate service. The struggle at Richmond is, therefore, a three-cornered ex-Confederate fight. And the most amusing feature of it is betrayed in the anxiety of such journals as the Norfolk Landmark to preserve the Lost Cause from any reproach. Startled by the current conjecture that the Debt-Payers may combine with the Re-

GENERAL WICKHAM stands reported as having said in a public speech in this town that he never saw the old flag in battle with-out wishing it success with tears in his eyes, and that sort of a man is not fit for any position in the gift of any people.

THE true inwardness of the South is not disturbed in the least by the existing turmoil hereabouts and in the North regarding the finance question. Very few of the Southern people, and the few who do are Republicans, own Government bonds, while the comparatively small number of National banks in the Southern States are, with rare exceptious, the adventures of Northern stockholders. In fact, the only interest the average Southerner has in this question resides in the soundness of the currency he receives in return for his agricultural products. He is thoroughly independent of all considcrations arising out of either patriotic or selfish investments in Government securities, and only views the National banking system as a convenient agency for the commercial manipulation of his cotton, sugar

or tobacco. The result of this peculiar sitnation is that Southern Congressmen, generally, devote more time and closer attention to the consideration and advancement anything else. The few exceptions to this rule only serve to prove its general application, and past as well as coming events finances succeed in the broader and more important field of inter-State politicsbroader and more important, we say, be cause the ultimate success of any financial policy depends absolutely and unqualifiedly upon the quieting effects of good government and a loyal administration of the

laws relating to the rights of citizenship. PREEDOM OF OPINION AND SPEECH. General WOODFORD, as has been repeat-

edly stated, went to Louisiana, talked plainly to the people on the rights of opinion and citizenship in a free country, and was graciously permitted to do so without being hung or shot. The New Orleans Times takes much credit to the Democrats of that State on account of this remarkable forbearance on their part. In commenting on the efforts of General WOODFORD in this behalf it says:

General Woodford may be considered as the pioneer of the Republican politicians who are to canvass the State next year, and his are to canvass the State next year, and his speech is the first Republican gun fired in the coming Presidential campaign. For these reasons, it is not without interest to our people. To say that General Woodford is a forcible, effective and sometimes eloquent speaker would be to do him simple justice. To say that his views are decidedly radical, and that he expresses them foldly, is to state a simple truth; and when he goes home he will be able to tell his Stalwart compatriots that whatever else they may have to accuse the South of, it will not be that it has placed any restraint on the freedom of speech. No any restraint on the freedom of speech. Republican, however violent, could desire to talk more plainly to Southern Democrats than General WOODFORD has been permitted in this city, and elsewhere in this State, to do.

The visit of General WOODFORD was just anterior to the election which has since transpired. The incidents of that contest show how much indulgence is really granted to the freedom of opinion and action toward resident Republicans. While General Woodvord was spared as a monument cause polygamy is practiced in Utah. of mercy, to be held up as a token of Southern toleration, the election itself tells quite a different tale. That was a mere sham and farce. Republicans were intimidated and persecuted to a degree that amounted to a prohibition of their exercise of the right of opinion and suffrage, and the result shows that though they may have been permitted in some instances to east their ballots, they amounted to nothing, for they were studiously counted out. Then, again, if General WOODFORD was not murdered outright for his opinions and efforts, the resident Republicans who were promi-Republican magistrate was shot and subsequently beheaded. To these barbarous crimes may be added outrage and driving into exile ex-Members of Congress and twenty or thirty prominent Republicans who fled to Memphis to preserve their lives. These citizens had been guilty of no offense save that of sustaining and defending Republican principles by an exercise of the Constitutional rights of citizenship. The reign of terror has been supreme in certain sections of Louisiana, and citizenship, free

This condition of affairs leads to the ques tion-Do the guarantees of the Constitution that the country reposes confidence in the afford ample protection to the equal rights statesmanship and professions of renewed of the American citizen, and has the Naloyalty of the Southern Bourbon leaders. tional Government any power to enforce its And it should be understood that the qual. requirements against the rebel spirit that ity of their statesmanship is illustrated in pervades the South at this time? This is a the fact that their States, one and all, are question which the President, who is clothed now Democratic because of corruption, with the power to enforce the laws, must answer to the country. If the Executive, who has solemnly sworn to enforce the Constitution and the laws, remains inert under these evidences of Southern outlawry, violence and butchery, and the Constitution reposes on the pages of the statute book, a mere dead letter, then what is our Government worth? It is a mockery, and the bond of our Union has no more holding power than a rope of sand. Our flag is a mere toy if it fails to carry protection to the rights and lives of the American citizen in every State of this alleged Union. We insist that we are a Nation, while the entire South clings to the dogma that we are a Confederation of States, with a sovereignty attached to each State, which justifies it in disregarding and defying the requirements of the National Constitution and the laws conceed for its enforcement. This is sub-Democratic party in Louisiana and all the other late insurgent States, and the air of defiance now put on in that section as typified in their action, which virtually denies that the National power can or shall enforce the Constitution and laws over that section, is for the purpose of testing the HAM or MAHONE, was a surgeon in the power of the Government to protect and preserve its authority throughout the National domain.

opinion and honest voting and counting are

a mere mockery.

The National authority cannot afford to meet this issue as presented with supineness, for as it lets go its authority it gives itself, the Constitution and Union away. except in mere name. It surrenders its Constitutional powers when it fails to assert publicans to defeat Manone and elect them with determination and vigor; and just WICKHAM, that journal rises to utter this in proportion as it relaxes its hold upon the full measure of its authority, it gives strength to those who set it at defiance, and in that way the Government is weakened and jeopardized. No one of average intelligence and discernment can fail to see that it is the purpose of the Democratic party to sap the Constitution and the Government and subjugate it to the theories and dogmas that once launched it into civil war, and still holds to the purpose of destroying its unity and perpetuity as a Nation of States, and it is apparent, also that unless these gradual approaches of the South upon the integrity of the Constitution are not checked by the National power, the downfall of the Republic is much nearer at hand than the most timid mind conjectures. Inertness, indifference and timidity at this time must

> hasten the estastrophe. NEW PUBLICATIONS.

LAYS IN SUMMER LANDS. Posters by J. Willis Menaux. With the prose notes of his speech and his appearance in Congress. Washington: Enterprise criating Company. The author of this volume was the first colcred man who received a certificate as

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> THE SECOND COMING OF THE LORD: IT CAUSES, SIGNS AND EPPECTS. By Rev. CHAUNCE Gilles, author of "Man as a Spiritual Being," &c Philladelphia: J. B. Lipplncott & Co. Washing ton: E. M. Whitaker & Son.

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FOOTPRINTS OF VANISHED RACES IN THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY. Being an account of some of the monuments and relics of the pre-historic races scattered over its surface, with sug-gestions as to their origin and uses. By A. J. Co-NAST, A. M., Metaber of the St. Louis Academy of Science, &c. St. Louis: Chancy R. Barus.

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